

DEERY CONSULTING STRUCTURAL AND CIVIL ENGINEERS

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VISION STATEMENT:

To be Gippsland's leading
structural & civil engineering
consultants

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Leader

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WELCOME MESSAGE

Welcome to the latest edition, and last for 2025, of **Deery News**!

We're excited to bring you the stories, updates, and insights shaping our company. Dive in to catch up on recent team achievements, important company announcements, and a look at what's ahead. Happy reading!

MANAGING DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE - Paul Deery

As we navigate an exciting and rapidly changing market, I want to personally thank you for choosing Deery Consulting. Your trust is the foundation of our success, and ensuring we deliver **exceptional value and service** remains our top priority.

Investing in Experience

This commitment to excellence starts with our team. We maintain a continued focus on the **professional development** of our staff, ensuring they have the expertise to best serve your needs. We recently held internal training sessions where insights shared by **LOKPOD** and **Wagners** were particularly valuable, helping our team refine their skills and stay at the forefront of industry best practices and emerging technologies.

Spotlight on Innovation: Materials Training

Our professional development efforts have focused on cutting-edge materials that deliver superior performance, longevity, and sustainability for our clients:

- **LOKPOD:** An innovative, sustainable void-forming system for concrete slab foundations. LOKPOD is made from **100% recycled plastic** and serves as a direct, eco-friendly replacement for traditional polystyrene pods. Its patented design, which includes an in-built charring system, simplifies the slab building process, reduces on-site waste, and ensures compliance with Australian Standards (AS 2870-2011).
- **Wagners FRP Grating (Fibre Reinforced Polymer):** We have been examining the advanced structural applications of Wagners' FRP products, specifically their durable grating systems. FRP is a high-strength composite material that offers a **100-year design life**, superior **corrosion resistance**, and is significantly **lighter** than steel or timber. This makes it an ideal, low-maintenance solution for demanding environments, such as pedestrian bridges, boardwalks, marine infrastructure, and industrial platforms.

Earlier this year, Deery Consulting proudly celebrated **20 years in business**. This milestone is a testament not just to our dedication, but to the trust and loyalty you place in us every day. As the year draws to a close, we are focused on **finishing strong** and delivering outstanding results on your current projects. We look forward to a well-deserved break before we are back in 2026, refreshed and ready, to tackle the exciting challenges and projects the **New Year** will bring. We are proud to be your long term partner, and we look forward to continuing to serve your needs with the highest level of professionalism and care. Please take a moment to explore the rest of this newsletter for more exciting updates and insights.

"One small positive thought in the morning can change your whole day" — Dalai Lama

ENGINEERING FOCUS – Rammed Earth Walls

Rammed earth construction is an ancient building technique that's experiencing a modern resurgence, particularly for its sustainability and unique aesthetic. It involves compressing a mixture of subsoil, including sand, gravel, and clay, into forms to create solid walls. This method has a rich history and offers numerous benefits, making it an excellent choice for modern construction, especially for its thermal properties.

While we are based in Inverloch, our expertise in structural and civil engineering allows us to design and manage projects for clients far and wide. We have a deep understanding of the specific soil conditions and climatic challenges associated with rammed earth construction, regardless of location. We specialise in designing and engineering walls that are not only beautiful but also structurally sound, durable, and perfectly suited to the unique environment of each project. Our expertise ensures that every project meets the highest standards of safety and performance, giving you peace of mind that your unique home is built to last.

Head over to our website and read our blog post on this very topic. You will find out all about the benefits!

[Rammed Earth Walls: A Sustainable and Beautiful Building Solution](#)



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Bass Coast Health Charity Golf Day & Golf Ball Drop was held in November. The amazing local trio from Revive Beauty, Headline Hairdressing & Cape Tavern put together a great day and raised \$35,000 for our local hospital. We are proud to have supported the day by entering a team & purchasing some golf balls.

We were also lucky enough to be invited to the Mitre 10 thank you Golf Day. We finished top 10 and enjoyed a parma and pot after the round.

Local youngster and daughter of our Office Manager, Amy H has signed up for her 4th Starlight Foundation Super Swim Challenge. This February she has committed to swim 67 kms and raise \$2,000. We are proud to support her efforts, and encourage you to support her too. The official fundraising page is: <https://superswim.org.au/a-hodson>

We enjoyed an afternoon of Barefoot Bowls at the Inverloch Bowling Club last Friday for our Christmas Party. As always, we celebrated with the teams from DB Design, RASO Consulting & Piasente Constructions. The sun was out and it was a lovely (hot) afternoon. After bowls we relaxed at the Glade & had a lovely dinner at the Inlet Hotel.

COMPANY UPDATE

Welcome Yee – a few months ago Yee started with us full time in the office. She has previously been working as a subcontractor with us. Yee brings with her a wealth of knowledge and experience in Civil Engineering. She has settled in well and is enjoying life in Inverloch.

Our office will be closed for the Christmas/New Year period from 5pm Friday 19th December, 2025 until 9am Monday 5th January, 2026.

We thank all our customers and business partners for their continued support. Wishing you all a happy, safe and merry Christmas and New Year.

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We encourage you to contact us for quotes, with feedback, questions, or suggestions at any time. We pride ourselves on being open and accessible to our clients.

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